

Maryland Child Care Resource Network

Demographics 2006

Maryland Report

Maryland is the center of the Boston-Atlanta corridor on the Atlantic Seaboard. The State borders Washington, D.C., the nation's capital. Among the 50 states, Maryland ranks 42nd in size and 18th in population. Its per capita income is the 4th highest in the U.S. Approximately 90% of Maryland's 5.5 million residents live in the Baltimore-Washington corridor.

Named one of the Top Ten states for child care for six consecutive years by Working Mother magazine, Maryland continues to receive excellent marks for the quality and safety of its child care and for its commitment to improving child care.

Source: Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) 2004-2005.

Maryland Committee for Children, Inc. (MCC), as operator of the Statewide Child Care Resource Network, has prepared the Child Care Demographics Maryland Report series for those interested in child care trends across the state. The series includes reports for the State, for each of Maryland's 23 counties and the City of Baltimore.

Number of Maryland Children under 12 with Mothers in the Work Force¹

669,463 – 75%² of total 2005 child population under 12.

'Source: MCC/LOCATE: Child Care. 'Percent based on 2000 census data. Percentage is not directly comparable to earlier reports.

Frequently Requested Child Care Information

Child Population 2000

| Age Group | Number in age group |
|-----------|---------------------|
| 0-1 | 139,912 |
| 2-4 | 213,481 |
| 5-9 | 391,318 |
| 10-11 | 162,481 |
| Total | 907,192 |

Source: Maryland Department of Planning (MDP), 2000 Census Summary File 1.

Child Care Costs as Compared to Other Major Household Expenses

| County | Estimated Child Care Cost ¹ | Median Family Income ² | %of Median Income Spent On Child Care | Child Care Cost Ranked w/Other Major Household Exp ³ |
|---------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Allegany | \$ 9,011 | \$ 47,576 | 18.9% | 2 |
| Anne Arundel | \$ 15,646 | \$ 80,607 | 19.4% | 3 |
| Baltimore County | \$ 13,954 | \$ 69,296 | 20.1% | 3 |
| Calvert | \$ 13,579 | \$ 83,965 | 16.2% | 3 |
| Caroline | \$ 9,871 | \$ 52,464 | 18.8% | 2 |
| Carroll | \$ 13,600 | \$ 78,393 | 17.3% | 3 |
| Cecil | \$11,898 | \$ 66,096 | 18.0% | 3 |
| Charles | \$ 14,439 | \$ 78,329 | 18.4% | 3 |
| Dorchester | \$ 9,473 | \$ 49,065 | 19.3% | 2 |
| Frederick | \$ 14,961 | \$ 81,098 | 18.4% | 3 |
| Garrett | \$8,554 | \$44,679 | 19.1% | 2 |
| Harford | \$14,164 | \$74,635 | 19.0% | 3 |
| Howard | \$18,594 | \$100,022 | 18.6% | 3 |
| Kent | \$9,529 | \$53,594 | 17.8% | 2 |
| Montgomery | \$18,199 | \$ 97,263 | 18.7% | 3 |
| Prince George's | \$ 13,687 | \$ 70,865 | 19.3% | 3 |
| Queen Anne's | \$ 12,869 | \$ 76,037 | 16.9% | 3 |
| St. Mary's | \$12,992 | \$ 73,738 | 17.6% | 3 |
| Somerset | \$ 9,092 | \$ 43,971 | 20.7% | 2 |
| Talbot | \$ 11,596 | \$ 61,983 | 18.7% | 3 |
| Washington | \$ 10,966 | \$ 59,171 | 18.5% | 3 |
| Wicomico | \$ 9,809 | \$55,337 | 17.7% | 3 |
| Worcester | \$ 10,908 | \$ 55,815 | 19.5% | 2 |
| Baltimore City | \$ 13,331 | \$ 39,771 | 33.5% | 1 |

NOTE: Child Care and other household expenses are based on a family of 4 that included a couple and two children ages 1-2 and 3-5 years. The household expenses considered include housing, income taxes, and food.

'Combined average of full-time care for an infant in a family child care home and a preschooler in a child care center (LOCATE, 2005). 'Current income estimated from 2000 Census data. 'Housing costs based on U.S. Bureau of the Census 2000 median selected owner costs with a mortgage; included mortgage, taxes, insurance and utilities. Taxes based on maximum federal, state, and local income taxes, Medicare, and FICA taxes per IRS and Maryland Office of the Comptroller (2005). Taxes do not reflect Earned Income Credit.

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Population Information

Child Population¹

| | 1990 | 2000 |
|-------------|---------|---------|
| 0-3 years | 216,136 | 209,218 |
| 3-4 years | 141,682 | 144,175 |
| 5 years | 69,456 | 74,546 |
| 6-9 years | 262,917 | 316,772 |
| 10-11 years | 124,328 | 162,481 |
| Total | 814,519 | 907,192 |

^{&#}x27;Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census Summary Tape File 1A (STF 1A), 1990, 2000 Censuses. Age breakdowns prepared by MCC.

Female Population (selected ages)

| Age Group | 1995¹ | 2000² |
|-----------|---------|---------|
| 20-24 | 161,889 | 157,643 |
| 25-29 | 199,684 | 176,396 |
| 30-34 | 235,935 | 209,334 |
| Total | 597,508 | 543,373 |

¹Source: MDP Population Projections 7/97.

Work Force Information Total Population Ages 16+ in Work Force

| Maryland |
|-----------|
| |
| 1,351,034 |
| 1,418,491 |
| |
| 1,238,003 |
| 1,401,893 |
| |
| 9.1%(+) |
| 1.2%(+) |
| |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census. Prepared by MDP, April 2002 based on STF 3A.

Females (16+) with Children

| Age Group | 2000 | 1990 | Change |
|--|---------|---------|----------|
| Total females (16+) with children under 6 | 160,214 | 301,599 | 46.9%(-) |
| Total females (16+) with children under 6 in the work force | 112,065 | 199,714 | 43.9%(-) |
| Total females (16+) with children 6-17 | 383,095 | 313,400 | 22.2%(+) |
| Total females (16+) with children 6-17 in the work force | 304,898 | 252,604 | 20.7%(+) |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 census. Prepared by MDP, April 2002 based on STF 3A.

Total Population

| | Maryland |
|------|-----------|
| 2000 | 5,296,486 |
| 1995 | 5,046,079 |
| 1990 | 4,780,753 |
| 1980 | 4,216,975 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census Summary Tape File 1A (STF 1A), 2000, 1990, 1980 Censuses of Population and Housing and Maryland Department of Planning Data Services, Revisions, 6/95.

Male Population (selected ages)

| Age Group | 1995¹ | 2000² |
|-----------|---------|---------|
| 20-24 | 168,582 | 156,486 |
| 25-29 | 195,991 | 166,474 |
| 30-34 | 227,117 | 196,317 |
| Total | 591,690 | 519,277 |

¹Source: MDP Population Projections 7/97. Spread of ages by LOCATE: Child Care ²MDP Census 2000 Summary File 1.

Households

| | 1990 | 2000 |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Total household population | 4,666,897 | 5,162,430 |
| Total # of households | 1,748,991 | 1,980,859 |
| Average household size | 2.67 | 2.61 |

Source: Census 2000 Summary File 1. Produced by the Maryland Department of planning, Planning Data Services.



²MDP Census 2000 Summary File 1.



Census Information

Families and Poverty

| | 1990 | % | 2000 | % | %Change |
|---|-------------|-------|-----------|------|----------|
| All Families | 1,256,327 | 100% | 1,359,318 | 100% | 8.2%(+) |
| Families Below | | | | | |
| Poverty Level | 75,313 | 6.0% | 83,232 | 6.1% | 10.5%(+) |
| All Families w/Children Under 6** | 281,342 | 100% | 150,011 | N/A* | N/A* |
| Families w/Children Under 5 Below Poverty Level | 30,301 | 10.8% | 30,328 | N/A* | N/A* |
| All Families w/Children Under 18 | 649,622 | 100% | 662,172 | 100% | 1.9%(+) |
| Families w/Children Under 18 Belov Poverty Level | w 58,455 | 9.0% | 64,063 | 9.7% | 9.6%(+) |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census. Prepared by MDP, April 2002 based on STF 3A. Measurements of poverty status are based in income received from the previous year.

Educational Attainment

| | Maryland | % Adult pop. over 25 Yrs |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| High School Grad or | | |
| Higher | 2,930,509 | 83.8% |
| Bachelor's | | |
| Degree or | 1,099,360 | 31.4% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000. Prepared by MDP, April 2002 based on STF 3A.

Children and Poverty

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|--|-------------|-------|-----------|-------|----------|
| | 1990 | % | 2000 | % | %Change |
| Total Related Children | | | | | |
| Under 18 1 | ,136,669 | 100% | 1,194,489 | 100% | 5.1%(+) |
| Total Children Under 18 Belov | w | | | | |
| Poverty Level | 124,149 | 10.9% | 141,877 | 11.9% | 14.3%(+) |
| Total Related Children Under 5 | 350,185 | 100% | 302,767 | 100% | 13.5%(-) |
| Total Children Under 5 Below Poverty Level | , 41,698 | 11.9% | 40,331 | 13.3% | 3.3%(-) |
| Total Related Children 5-17 | 786,484 | 100% | 891,722 | 100% | 13.4%(+) |
| Total Children 5-17 Below Poverty Level | 82,451 | 10.5% | 101,546 | 11.4% | 23.2%(+) |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census. Prepared by MDP, August 2002 based on STF 3A. Measurements of poverty status are based in income received from the previous year.

Families

| Maryland Total | | Total # of All Families With Related Children Under Age 6 | Total # of All Families With Related Children Under Age 18 | |
|-------------------|-----------|--|---|--|
| 1990 | 1,256,327 | 281,342** | 649,622 | |
| 2000 | 1,359,318 | 150,011 | 662,172 | |
| Change | 8.2%(+) | N/A* | 1.9%(+) | |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 and 2000 Censuses. Prepared by MDP, April 2002 based on Summary tape File 3A (STF 3A). See "Census of Population and Housing" in definitions section for additional information.

^{*}Comparable data not available from 1990 Census.

^{**}Data collected in 1990 was for children under 5.

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Income, Unemployment and Housing Information

Annual Wage Rate Information

| \$52,330 |
|----------|
| \$43,164 |
| \$24,891 |
| \$30,438 |
| \$21,470 |
| \$14,850 |
| |

Sources: MSDE, Oct 2004; Association of Independent Maryland Schools (AIMS), 2005-06 school year, and MCC's 2005 Statewide Survey of Family Child Care Providers and Child Care Centers.

Family Income

| Median Family Income, 2000 Census | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--|
| Maryland | \$61,876 | |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census. Prepared by MDP, May 2002 based on STE 3A

Median Household Effective Buying Income (EBI): Maryland \$45,879

Percent Households

| EBI Distribution | Maryland |
|---------------------|----------|
| under \$25,000 | 22.2% |
| \$25,000 - \$49,999 | 33.2% |
| \$50,000 - \$74,999 | 23.6% |
| \$75,000+ | 21.1% |

Source: Reprinted by permission: Copyright © Market Statistics, 2004. Demographics USA-County Ed. Median Household Effective Buying Income (EBI) is not directly comparable to 1997 or earlier reports.

Average Weekly Cost of Full-time Child Care

| Maryland | | |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| • | Family Child Care Programs | Child Care Centers |
| 0-23 months | \$144.05 | \$203.85 |
| 2-5 years | \$119.49 | \$129.91 |
| School Age* | \$105.59 | \$120.48 |

Source: MCC/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/05.

Unemployment Rate

| | Maryland |
|------|----------|
| 1996 | 4.9% |
| 1997 | 4.7% |
| 1998 | 4.3% |
| 1999 | 3.3% |
| 2000 | 3.4% |
| 2001 | 4.0% |
| 2002 | 3.9% |
| 2003 | 4.1% |
| 2004 | 3.9% |
| 2005 | 3.9% |
| | |

Source: Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR), Sept 2005.

Housing Information

| | Maryland | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Owner-Occupied housing | 1,341,751 (68%) | |
| Renter-Occupied housing | 639,108 (35%) | |

Note: Percentage is based on total occupied housing units.

| | Maryland |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Mean value of Owner- | |
| Occupied Housing | \$146,000 |
| Median Selected Monthly | |
| Owner Costs With a Mortgage | \$1,296 |
| Median Gross Residential | |
| Monthly Rent | \$689 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census STF 1A and STF 3A, 2000 Census. Prepared by MDP, May 2002. Percentage based on total occupied housing units prepared by MCC.

^{*} Family child care provider, center or school-based settings or school age children licensed by Child Care Administration; programs offered before and/or after school hours and during school holidays and vacation.



Supply of Regulated Early Childhood Programs and Education

Children's Programs by Type with Capacity/Enrollment

| # of Programs | | Capacity |
|--|-------|----------------------|
| Family Child Care Providers | 9,689 | 70,083 |
| *CCA Licensed Group Programs | 2,666 | 146,197 |
| 8-12 Hour Child Care Centers | 1,440 | 88,732 |
| Infant/Toddler | 643 | 8,329 |
| Part-Day | 567 | N/A |
| Before/after School (School & Center-Based) | 1,866 | N/A |
| Small Centers | 163 | 1,815 |
| Employer-Sponsored Centers | 96 | 7,337 |
| Youth Camps | 587 | N/A |
| Nursery Schools | 407 | N/A |
| Kindergarten | 379 | N/A |
| **Head Start/Early Head Start | 252 | enrollment: 10,404 |
| ***Public Pre-Kindergarten | 526.5 | participants: 19,746 |

^{*}Note: Numbers do not total because facilities may have more than one type of program. Unless otherwise indicated, all programs are privately funded.

= federally funded *= state funded

Source: MCC/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/05; Child Care Administration/Maryland State Department of Human Resources (CCA); Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE).

Education

Public and Private Schools (Elementary and Middle)

| | Public | Private |
|--------------------|--------|---------|
| Elementary Schools | 818 | 388 |
| Middle Schools | 227 | 15 |
| Combined | 57 | 209 |

Elementary School Enrollment

| | Public | Private |
|------------------|---------|---------|
| Pre-Kindergarten | | |
| (include EEEP): | 23,380 | 46,495 |
| Kindergarten | 54,838 | 14,686 |
| Grades 1 - 6 | 313,614 | 66,015 |
| Total | 391,832 | 127,196 |

Source: MSDE, 2004-05 school year. Enrollment figures are for September 30, 2004. Private schools include MSDE approved schools and those operated by a tax-exempt religious organization which hold a letter of exemption from approval in accordance with State law.

Density of Family Providers and Center Programs by Jurisdiction

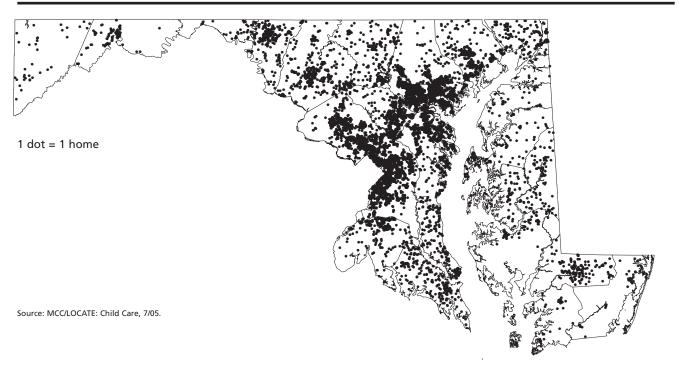
The following chart shows the number of registered family child care providers and licensed full-day child care centers in Maryland as of July 1, 2005.

| Jurisdiction | Family 8-12 Hour | | | r |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|---------|----------|
| | Providers | Capacity | Centers | Capacity |
| Allegany | 101 | 744 | 20 | 851 |
| Anne Arundel | 776 | 5,704 | 98 | 7,274 |
| Baltimore | 1,268 | 9,215 | 177 | 11,065 |
| Calvert | 198 | 1,378 | 37 | 1,384 |
| Caroline | 109 | 812 | 6 | 267 |
| Carroll | 278 | 1,958 | 45 | 3,307 |
| Cecil | 197 | 1,419 | 20 | 1,087 |
| Charles | 357 | 2,428 | 38 | 2,349 |
| Dorchester | 67 | 492 | 10 | 285 |
| Frederick | 551 | 3,747 | 51 | 3,924 |
| Garrett | 36 | 266 | 12 | 352 |
| Harford | 506 | 3,594 | 44 | 3,252 |
| Howard | 502 | 3,646 | 68 | 6,021 |
| Kent | 36 | 259 | 4 | 178 |
| Montgomery | 1,018 | 7,284 | 221 | 15,543 |
| Prince George's | 1,436 | 10,895 | 275 | 15,961 |
| Queen Anne's | 123 | 798 | 7 | 412 |
| St. Mary's | 255 | 1,795 | 24 | 962 |
| Somerset | 35 | 263 | 6 | 120 |
| Talbot | 75 | 558 | 9 | 609 |
| Washington | 380 | 2,743 | 21 | 1,948 |
| Wicomico | 171 | 1,271 | 31 | 1,875 |
| Worcester | 52 | 377 | 14 | 513 |
| Baltimore City | 1,162 | 8,437 | 202 | 9,193 |
| Totals | 9,689 | 70,083 | 1,440 | 88,732 |

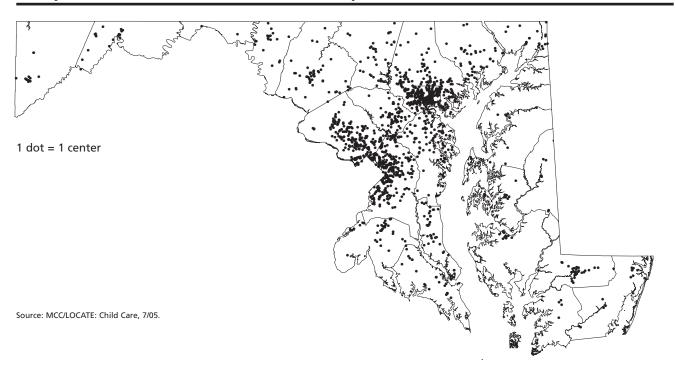
Source: MCC/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/05.

Supply of Regulated Child Care

Density of Regulated Family Child Care Homes in Maryland

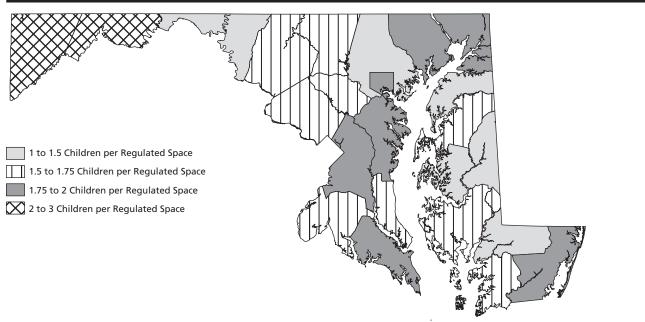


Density of Licensed 8-12 Hour Child Care Centers in Maryland



Supply of Regulated Child Care

Number of Children 0-5 Years Per Regulated Child Care Space by Census Tract



This map is based on the total population of children 0-5 yrs. Child population numbers are taken from 2000 census data. When assessing the need for child care, the results of the National Child Care Survey 1990 also should be considered which indicate that approximately 66% of the working mothers surveyed used no supplemental care or utilized care by relatives, caregivers in the child's own home, or other arrangements. Only 34% utilized care in regulated out-of-home settings. See "National Child Care Survey 1990" in definition section for additional information.

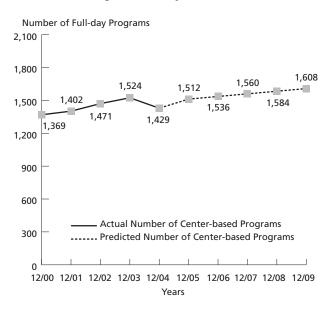
Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census STF 3B, 2000 Census; MCC/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/05.

Past and Anticipated Growth Patterns for Family/Center Providers

Family Child Care Providers in Maryland 2000-2009

Number of Family Child Care Providers 18.000 15,000 12,000 10,503 10,334 9.227 10,862 10.080 9,000 9,746 9,400 6,000 Actual Number of Family Child Care Providers 3,000 ----- Predicted Number of Family Child Care Providers 12/00 12/01 12/02 12/03 12/04 12/05 12/06 12/07 12/08 12/09 Years

Center-based Programs in Maryland 2000-2009



These predictions were generated with the use of the Cycle Regression Analysis Model. This model is being developed as part of the FORECAST system by Dr. LeRoy Simmons and Mr. George Wright of Loyola College. The predictions generated by the Model do not reflect the effects of current changes to social programs affecting child care. For further information, contact Arna Griffith, 410.752.7588.

Source: MCC/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/05.

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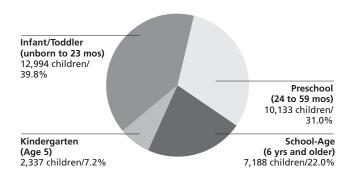
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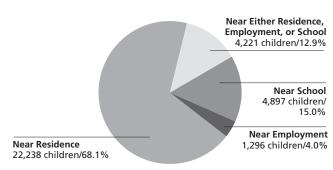
Children Served by Age

N=32,652

Children Served by Locational Preferences for Care

N=32,652



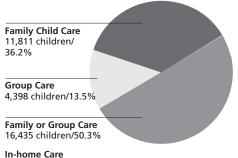


Source: LOCATE: Child Care, Maryland Committee for Children and The Maryland Child Care Resource Network (7/1/04-6/30/05).

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Children Served by Type of Care Preferred

N=32,652



In-home Care 8 children/0.1%

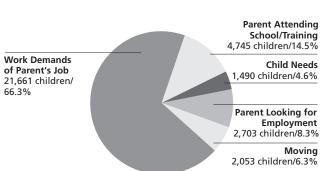
Other Combination* 0 children/0%

Source: LOCATE: Child Care, Maryland Committee for Children and The Maryland Child Care Resource Network (7/1/04-6/30/05).

* Indicates all other combinations of Family Care, Group Care and In-home Care NOTE: Percentages do not total 100% because of rounding.

Reason Child Care is Needed

N=32,652



Source: LOCATE: Child Care, Maryland Committee for Children and The Maryland Child Care Resource Network (7/1/04-6/30/05).



Demand for Child Care

Number of Children Served by LOCATE: Child Care 32,652 children (7/1/04-6/30/05)

Full-time or Part-time Care Needs of Children Served N=32,652

Full-time: 19,959 children (61.1%)
Part-time: 12,097 children (37.1%)
Other*: 596 children (1.8%)

Source: LOCATE: Child Care, Maryland Committee for Children and The Maryland Child Care Resource Network (7/1/04-6/30/05).

Purchase of Care Program

LOCATE Calls received from parents with children eligible for or receiving Purchase of Care Subsidy 15,302

NOTE: Purchase of Care is a statewide child care subsidy program funded with federal and state dollars and administered by the Maryland Department of Human Resources. The Working Parents Assistance Program is a separate county-wide child care subsidy program funded and administered by Montgomery County Government for eligible working families.

Source: LOCATE: Child Care, Maryland Committee for Children and The Maryland Child Care Resource Network (7/1/04-6/30/05).

Major Reasons Parents Could Not Find Child Care in Maryland

| Reason | Count |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Cost | 450 |
| No vacancies for infant | 374 |
| Schedule | 149 |
| Other | 149 |
| No vacancies for school age | 136 |
| No vacancies for preschool | 118 |
| Location | 98 |
| Quality of care | 81 |
| Transportation/escort | 61 |
| No part time | 38 |
| Special needs experience | 25 |
| Hours of operation | 9 |

Source: LOCATE: Child Care, Maryland Committee for Children and The Maryland Child Care Resource Network (7/1/04-6/30/05).

Major Factors Important to Parents Who Found Child Care in Maryland

| Reason | Count |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Proximity to home | 2,109 |
| Quality of care | 1,745 |
| Cost | 934 |
| Appearance of home | 787 |
| Educational program | 774 |
| Hours of operation | 646 |
| Family setting | 573 |
| Cleanliness | 545 |
| Only provider/program with vacancy | 313 |
| Proximity to work | 289 |
| Escort | 268 |
| Proximity to school | 233 |
| Group size | 230 |
| Special needs experience | 114 |
| Nearby transportation | 87 |
| Offered part time care | 72 |
| Other | 5 |

Source: LOCATE: Child Care, Maryland Committee for Children and The Maryland Child Care Resource Network (7/1/04-6/30/05).

Supply of Child Care

Purchase of Care Program

Family Child Care Providers willing to care for POC children in Maryland

7,186 (74.1% of total family child care providers)

Child Care Centers willing to care for POC children in Maryland

1,158 (80.4% of total child care centers)

Source: MCC/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/05.

Maryland FY 06 Allocation \$103,064,217 = 19,384 full-time slots

Source: CCA

Special Needs Child Care

Family providers who serve/have served children with special needs

4,547 (46.9% of total family child care providers in Maryland)

Centers who serve/have served children with special needs

913 (63.4% of total child care centers in Maryland)

^{*} Includes requests for sick, backup and temporary care.

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Definitions

Before/After-School Care: School-Age child care offers care to children enrolled in Kindergarten or above. Care is provided before and/or after school and during school holidays/vacations. Programs are licensed by the Child Care Administration. Programs may operate from a school building or other licensed facility.

Census of Population and Housing: There are two versions of the 1990 Census questionnaire: a short form which asks a limited number of population and housing questions of all households, and a long form questionnaire which asks additional social and economic questions of a sample of all households. The data contained in the Census Summary Tape File 1 A (STF 1 A) are based on the questions which were asked of all persons, while the data from the Census Summary Tape File 3A (STF 3A) are based on the sample questionnaire. The user should note that data obtained from a sample are subject to sampling variability, and that there are limitations to many of these data.

Child Care: The care or supervision of a child when the child's parent has given the child's care over to another for some portion of a 24-hour-day as a supplement to the parent's primary care of the child. (CCA)

Child Care Center: Child care provided in a facility that, for part or all of the day, provides care to children in the absence of the parent. Centers are licensed by the Child Care Administration.

Children with Special Needs: Children who, because of a disability or other special educational, developmental, physical, emotional, behavioral, or medical condition, require additional care, or whose activities are restricted by a certain condition. (CCA)

Educational Attainment: The highest level of school completed or the highest degree received. Educational attainment figures were used for persons over 25 years of age. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Effective Buying Income: Personal income less personal tax and nontax payments. It is commonly known as "Disposable personal income." (DBED)

Employer-Sponsored Centers: A child care center located on-site or off-site which is sponsored by a corporation, business, or other employer. Employees are given priority for enrollment slots.

Extended Elementary Education Program (EEEP): EEEP provides public prekindergarten education for four-year-old children, many of whom have language deficits and no prior knowledge or experiential base to support school success and achievement. The program makes prekindergarten available to all four-year-olds who reside in the attendance area of a qualifying school whose parents voluntarily enroll them in the program.

Family Child Care: The care given to a child younger than 13 years old or to a developmentally disabled person younger than 21 years old, in place of parental care for less than 24 hours a day, in a residence other than the child's residence and for which the provider is paid. Regulations allow a family child care provider to care for as many as eight children at any time. (CCA)

Family Household Income: Family includes a householder and one or more persons living in the same household who are related to the householder by birth, marriage, or adoption. A household can contain only one family for purposes of census tabulations. Information on money income received in the calendar year 1999 was requested from persons 15 years and over. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Head Start: Project Head Start provides comprehensive developmental services for children from low-income families. Head Start is comprised of four components including Education, Health, Parent Involvement, and Social Services. Head Start Centers serve children from age 3 to school entry age from income eligible families.

Infant/Toddler: In the State of Maryland, "infant" means a child under 18 months old. "Toddler" means a child 18 months old or older but younger than 2 years old. (CCA)

Kindergarten: An instructional program for children who are 5 years old by September 30th of each academic year. Programs may be operated by a private or public school. Kindergarten is the year of school which precedes entrance to first grade.

The National Child Care Survey 1990: (NCCS) contains information on demand and parental preferences for care based on a nationally representative sample of families with children younger than age 13. The NCCS examined the type of care and education (excluding formal schooling) that parents use to supplement their own care of children. Employed mothers were surveyed regarding the primary supplemental care arrangements used for the most hours per week by their youngest child excluding school or kindergarten attendance.

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Definitions

The results indicate that 66% of the employed mothers surveyed used no supplemental care, or utilized care by relatives, by caregivers in the child's own home, or other arrangements. Family child care homes or child care centers were used as the primary supplemental care arrangement by the remaining 34%. The mother's utilization of out-of-home care varied with the age of the child, with 42% of children under 3 years of age, 60% of children ages 3-4 years, and 21 % of children 5-12 years placed in these settings for supplemental care.

Nursery Schools: An instructional program approved or exempted by the Maryland State Department of Education for children who are two through four years old. The maximum length of the program is 6 hours per day, however most operate only a few hours per day and may meet only two or three times per week for a nine month period.

Owner Costs with Mortgage (Selected Monthly): The sum of payments for mortgages, deeds of trust, contracts to purchase, or similar debts on the property; real estate taxes; fire hazard, and flood insurance on the property; utilities; and fuels. It also includes, where appropriate, the monthly condominium fees or mobile home costs. A housing unit is owner-occupied if the owner or co-owner lives in the unit even if it is mortgaged or not fully paid for. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Part Day: A program regulated by CCA with an educational focus for children one or two years before entering kindergarten. These programs are usually 2-3 hrs/day, 2-3 days/week, nine months/year.

Pre-Kindergarten: An educational program for children before they are enrolled in Kindergarten. Programs may be operated by private or public schools. Maryland public school programs are for children who are four years of age.

Poverty Level: The 2005 poverty guideline for a family of four persons was \$19,350 in 2005. (Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, NOV 2005)

Purchase of Care: Provides financial assistance to eligible families in securing care for their children in registered family child care homes or licensed child care centers while parents/guardians are attending school, working, or in job training.

Renter Occupied Gross Monthly Rent: Monthly contract rent plus the estimated average monthly cost of utilities and fuels, if these are paid by the renter. All occupied housing units which are not owner-occupied, whether they are rented for cash rent or occupied without payment of cash rent, are classified as renter-occupied. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Small Centers: A small center is licensed by the Child Care Administration for a maximum of 12 children. It may be in a residential or non-residential setting.

Unemployment Rate: Civilians 16 years old and over are classified unemployed if they (1) were neither "at work" nor "with a job but not at work"during the reference week, and (2) were looking for work during the last four weeks, and (3) were available to accept a job. Also included were civilians who did not work at all during the reference week and were waiting to be called back to a job from which they had been laid off. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Youth Camps (Licensed): A day camp, residential camp, travel camp, or trip camp licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.



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